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QUALITY OF THE RYE AND WHEAT IN 1953 GDR HARVEST

[Comment: The following information on the quality of wheat and rye harvested in the GDR in 1953 was taken from an article in the February 1954 issue of *Die Deutsche Landwirtschaft*, published in Berlin. The article, written by Dr B. Thomas and E. Anders of the Institute for Research on Nutrition in Potsdam-Rehbruecke, discusses the results of the institute's first study of GDR bread-grain harvests.]

The following table shows the results of studies of the 1953 wheat harvest:

Bezirk	Water Content (%)	Weight per Hectoliter (kg)	Weed Seeds (%)	Damaged or Decayed Grains (%)	Admixture of Other Grains (%)
Rostock	15.5	77.4	0.3	4.8	1.2
Schwerin	15.3	78.4	0.2	3.9	0.8
Neubrandenburg	15.1	78.4	0.3	2.8	1.2
Potsdam	17.2	75.9	0.4	2.3	1.2
Frankfurt/Oder	14.6	76.1	1.0	3.6	1.0
Magdeburg	14.4	77.8	0.1	4.6	0.7
Cottbus	14.3	77.7	0.01	1.8	0.8
Halle	14.8	77.6	1.7	5.2	0.7
Leipzig	15.6	77.8	0.2	3.7	0.4
Dresden	15.6	77.6	0.2	3.9	0.6
Erfurt	14.5	78.8	0.3	6.5	1.3
Gera	15.2	77.3	0.3	4.9	2.4

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	Water Content (%)	Weight per Hectoliter (kg)	Weed Seeds (%)	Damaged or Decayed Grains (%)	Admixture of Other Grains (%)
Karl-Marx-Stadt	15.4	77.9	0.4	4.1	0.7
Suhl	16.3	77.6	0.1	2.0	1.9
GDR	15.3	77.6	0.3	3.9	1.0

The long-term average water content of wheat in Germany is 16.3 percent.
The long-term average weight per hectoliter is 76.8 kilograms.

The following table shows the results of studies of the 1953 rye harvest:

Bezirk	Water Content (%)	Weight per Hectoliter (kg)	Weed Seeds (%)	Damaged or Decayed Grains (%)	Admixture of Other Grains (%)
Rostock	15.8	74.8	0.6	2.2	0.3
Schwerin	16.1	74.0	1.2	2.7	1.0
Neubrandenburg	15.8	75.3	0.8	2.9	0.4
Potsdam	15.5	73.4	0.3	5.1	0.1
Frankfurt/Oder	15.6	72.1	0.4	2.3	0.4
Magdeburg	15.0	74.2	0.6	3.8	0.8
Cottbus	14.5	74.1	0.2	3.6	0.3
Halle	15.2	74.2	0.3	3.5	1.3
Leipzig	15.1	74.3	0.2	3.6	1.0
Dresden	16.1	74.5	0.6	4.0	0.3
Erfurt	15.1	74.9	0.5	4.3	2.9
Gera	16.0	74.2	0.4	3.6	1.0
Karl-Marx-Stadt	16.1	74.4	0.5	4.6	0.6
Suhl	16.5	73.7	0.5	3.3	2.6
GDR	15.6	74.1	0.5	3.7	0.8

The long-term average water content of rye in Germany is 16.2 percent.
The long-term average weight per hectoliter is 73 kilograms.

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